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Art Unit	3652
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Pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).

**FEE TRANSMITTAL  
For FY 2005**☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27**Complete if Known**

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	_____

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES****Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Small Entity	
Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
50	25
200	100
360	180

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
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<u>Indep. Claims</u>		<u>Extra Claims</u>		<u>Fee (\$)</u>		<u>Fee Paid (\$)</u>
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Appln. No.: 10/788,910  
Amendment Dated March 29, 2006  
Reply to Office Action of December 29, 2005

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appln. No: 10/788,910  
Applicants: Klaus-Sweerich Schroder  
Filed: February 27, 2004  
Title: STORAGE FOR BULK GOODS WITH OVERHEAD WITHDRAWAL  
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Examiner: Charles N. Greenhut  
Confirmation No.: 7519  
Docket No.: SSM-525US

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action dated December 29, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.
- ☒ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 8 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet(s).
- ☐ **Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 10 of this paper.

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